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## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## Officers Investigate DUII Crash on Highway 217

The Beaverton Police Department and the interagency Washington County Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART) are investigating a three vehicle collision that sent two people to the hospital with serious injuries.

On February 19, 2012, shortly before 3 a.m. officers responded to a report of a three-car injury crash in the northbound lanes of Highway 217 near the Walker Road off-ramp. Upon arrival, officers determined Erin Douge (26) had been southbound in a blue Toyota Yaris on Highway 217 in the northbound lanes when her vehicle struck a northbound Teal Chevrolet Cavalier head-on being driven by Hermelo Juarez-Garcia (38). This resulted in a silver Audi A4 being driven by Hillary Maxfield (25) becoming involved in the crash as well.

Erin Douge and Hermelo Juarez-Garcia were transported to an area hospital with serious, but what appears to be non-life threatening injuries. Hillary Maxfield was not transported from the scene. Investigators believe the driver Erin Douge is responsible for the crash and entered the northbound lanes of Highway 217 by driving down the wrong-way on the exit ramp. Investigators also believe Erin Douge may have been under the influence of alcohol at the time of the crash.

Highway 217 northbound was closed for approximately seven hours while CART completed their investigation.

No arrests or citations were issued to Erin Douge at the scene. Officers are continuing their investigation and charges are pending completion of the investigation.